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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Liedtke et al.
SERIAL NO. : 10/027,828 EXAMINER : Ruixiang Li
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FOR : VR-OAC, an Osmotically Activated Channel Protein, Nucleic Acids
Encoding It, and Uses Thereof

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PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby request that the period for responding to the Office Communication, now set to expire on December 7, 2003, be extended by one (1) month, so as to expire on January 7, 2004.

As Applicants are associated with a small entity, a check in the amount of \$55.00 is enclosed to cover the one-month extension herein requested. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any deficiencies or to credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 11-1153.

Favorable action on this Request for Extension of Time is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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